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The Laboratory's mission is to provide the scientific and technological know-how to meet any national security challenge. In December 2007, under its plan for "complex transformation," DOE announced that the Lab is the "preferred alternative" for plutonium, nuclear weapon design and engineering, and supercomputing programs. Seven public meetings were held to allow New Mexico residents to comment on the plan.

In the complex transformation plan released by NNSA, Los Alamos was announced as the preferred alternative facility for the nation's plutonium research, development, and manufacturing; nuclear weapon design and engineering; and supercomputing.

Transformation of the nation's nuclear weapons complex was the subject of public meetings held in communities throughout New Mexico, including Socorro, Albuquerque, Los Alamos, Santa Fe, and Española. An NNSA representative heard comments on the Lab's proposed role. The goal of complex transformation is to create a nuclear weapons complex that is smaller, safer, more secure, more efficient, and less expensive.

The proposed transformation of the nation's nuclear weapons complex, particularly the Laboratory's proposed role, was the main item on the menu at a regional community leaders' breakfast meeting in Pojoaque, New Mexico. The keynote speaker discussed proposed transformation and the "sea change" it presents for the Laboratory, describing the prospective transformation as a "win-win situation" for the nation and the Laboratory.



We continually evaluate existing infrastructure and make needed changes, strive to meet our future needs, and want the best in science and engineering.